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November 11, 1969

Mrs. O. B. Chambers  
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Dear sister Chambers:

Thank you so much for your letter.

I appreciate your concern for the work of this church, and your desire to have part in the "privilege" of giving. I am thankful for the encouragement your very presence gives me, and I want you to know I understand your circumstances.

I truly believe that you are the one to make the final decision as to your ability to give, and you must remember that God has asked you to give as you can, and understands when you cannot.

Please remember to pray for the effective ministry of this entire church, and for your personal and vital role in it.

Your brother,

  
John Allen Chalk

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Nov 6 - 1969 -

My dear Bro Phalk:

In reply to your letter received yesterday I wish to say - and oh, how I hate to say it - I just can't increase my weekly contribution. In fact, I don't at this time see how I can continue the \$10 per week.

God has been so good to me and I know that the harvest is white but my apartment is to be vacated Dec 8. This, of course, entails cleaning & renovating for the next tenant. Of old, I did most of this myself but now I will have to hire it done which is so expensive as you know. Too, one of my tenants at the store has asked for an extension of the building in order that he can fix cars. I dread to have to build but I feel in order to keep him satisfied I must comply. At eighty-one this is not easy but how thankful I am that God has permitted me to be able enough to carry on and not be on a "shely" in some nursing home.

My income is \$369.90 so you see with taxes, insurance, doctor's & medicine bills, together with



my upkeep there isn't much left, even with the most careful management.

I hope to get straight again and to be able to take advantage of the privilege for I don't like to be like the man when asked to follow Jesus who said, "I have to bury my father first."

I do so appreciate the great work that you are doing.

In Christian love,

Mrs D. B. Chambers.